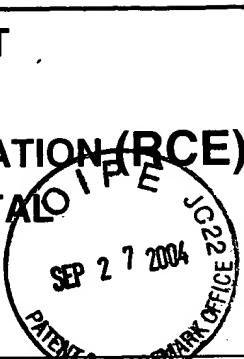


**REQUEST
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First Named Inventor	CHRISTENSEN, Preben et al.
Group Art Unit	1651
Examiner Name	S. SAUCIER
Attorney Docket No.	60123.000002

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-captioned application.
Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application.

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 (Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, applicant must request non-entry of such amendment(s).)

a. Previously submitted

- i. Consider the amendment(s)/reply, Declaration and IDS under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on February 27, 2004 (Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered.)
- ii. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
- iii. Other: Response

b. Enclosed

- i. Amendment/Reply
- ii. Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. Information Disclosure Statement (including Form PTO-SB/08A and References)
- iv. Other:

2. Miscellaneous

a. Suspension of action on the above-captioned application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed three months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required.)

b. Other:

3. Fees The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Fees are calculated as follows:	AMOUNT	<input type="checkbox"/> Large Entity	<input type="checkbox"/> Small Entity
i. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> RCE BASIC FEE	\$ 770.00	\$ 770.00	\$ 385.00
ii. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EXTENSION FEES	\$ 2010.00	One-Month \$ 110.00 Two-Month 420.00 Three-Month 950.00 Four-Month 1480.00 Five-Month 2010.00	\$ 55.00 210.00 475.00 740.00 1005.00
iii. <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
b. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Check in the amount of \$ <u>2780.00</u> is enclosed. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any variance between the amount enclosed and the Patent Office charges to Deposit Account No. 50-0206 .			
c. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the fees as indicated above, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 50-0206 .			

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Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. 1.111

Introductory Comments

In addition to the Response filed on February 27, 2004, the Information Disclosure Statement refiled February 27, 2004 and the Declaration by Preben Christen and Torben Greve, and in view of the March 9, 2004 Advisory Action, Applicants also provide the attached Amendment to the Claims to replace all previous pending claims and several additional references in the accompanying IDS for consideration by the Examiner.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper. Please add claim 49. Following this amendment claims 1, 3-11, 14-45 and 49 will be pending.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.